

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Army Flight Surgeon Primary Course, Aviation
Medicine Orientation Course and Aviation Dental Officer Course**

SUBJECT: Welcome Letter

1. Welcome to FT Rucker and the US Army School of Aviation Medicine (USASAM). Congratulations on your selection to either the Army Flight Surgeon Primary Course (AFSPC), Army Aviation Medicine Orientation Course (AAMOC) or Aviation Dental Officer Course (ADO).
2. The School's faculty will work to make your learning experience challenging and memorable. We are committed to training a dedicated corps of physicians, physicians assistants as well as selected dentists, nurse practitioners, optometrists and audiologists for our nation's and allied nation's aviation units.
3. Please visit our [website](#) to obtain valuable information on your upcoming course. General information concerning Ft Rucker is available at [Fort Rucker Website](#).
4. Make sure you confirm your BOQ reservations immediately, as it is highly desirable to stay in the BOQ during these courses. The housing office can be reached at (334)-255-5216 (DSN 558).
5. If you have not started your flight physical, you must do so **immediately!** The flight physical and any waiver requests must be sent to Ft Rucker (US Army Aeromedical Activity) prior to your departure for the course. You MUST bring two pair of glasses if you did not achieve 20/20 bilaterally on the distant and near visual acuity examination. If you have questions or cannot complete the flight physical, contact MAJ(P) Gaul, Course Director, at mark.gaul@se.amedd.army.mil, or (334)-255-7334 (DSN 558), to make other arrangements. You will NOT have time to complete a flight physical while at the course.
6. If you need further information or clarification, please contact SSG Smith, Course NCOIC, at elvin.smith@se.amedd.army.mil, (334)-255-7445.
7. We look forward to your arrival and hope you have an exciting educational experience.

FOR THE DEAN:

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